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## RAILROAD RETIREMENT BOARD

**Proposed Collection; Comment Request** 

Summary: In accordance with the requirement of Section 3506 (c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 which provides opportunity for public comment on new or revised data collections, the Railroad Retirement Board (RRB) will publish periodic summaries of proposed data collections.

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed information collection is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information has practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the RRB's estimate of the burden of the collection of the information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden related to the collection of information on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Title and Purpose of Information Collection: Request for Medicare Payment; OMB 3220-0131

Under Section 7(d) of the Railroad Retirement Act, the RRB administers the Medicare program for persons covered by the railroad retirement system. The collection obtains the information needed by Palmetto GBA, the Medicare carrier for railroad retirement beneficiaries, to pay claims for payments under Part B of the Medicare program. Authority for collecting the information is prescribed in 42 CFR 424.32.

The RRB currently utilizes Forms G-740S, Patient's Request for Medicare Payment, along with Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services Form CMS-1500, to secure the information

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necessary to pay Part B Medicare Claims. One response is completed for each claim.

Completion is required to obtain a benefit. The RRB proposes the following changes to Form

G-740S:

Changed Item 2a from "Medicare Claim" to "Medicare Number"

Replaced the 12-digit Claim Number field with an 11-digit Medicare Number field

Estimate of Annual Respondent Burden

Form Number Annual Responses Time (Minutes) Burden (Hours)
G-740S 1 0 1

Additional Information or Comments: To request more information or to obtain a copy of the

information collection justification, forms, and/or supporting material, contact Brian Foster at

(312) 751-4826 or Brian.Foster@rrb.gov. Comments regarding the information collection

should be addressed to Brian Foster, Railroad Retirement Board, 844 North Rush Street,

Chicago, Illinois 60611-1275 or emailed to Brian. Foster@rrb.gov. Written comments should be

received within 60 days of this notice.

Brian Foster,

Clearance Officer.

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